

## Message Text

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R 141240Z JUN 77  
FM AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6200  
INFO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA  
AMCONSUL DURBAN  
AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN  
USMISSION USUN NEW YORK

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CAPE TOWN ALSO FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SF, PINS, PINT  
SUBJECT: AFTERMATH OF TERRORIST ATTACK

REF: JOHANNESBURG 1497

1. IN CORRECTION TO REFTEL, TWO WHITES KILLED, ONE WOUNDED  
IN YESTERDAY 'JUNE 13) ATTACK. TWO BLACKS IN CUSTODY OF POLICE;  
POLICE STILL SEARCHING FOR OTHERS. NO BLACKS KILLED AS REPORTED.

2. MINISTER OF JUSTICE JIMMY KRUGER STATED RAID WAS "URBAN  
TERRORISM" BUT DID NOT THINK YESTERDAY'S INCIDENT WAS BEGINNING  
OF LARGE-SCALE URBAN TERRORIST CAMPAIGN. HE APPEALED TO PEOPLE  
TO STAY CALM, SAYING POLICE HAD SITUATION "WELL IN HAND" AND  
THIS WAS SOMETHING SOUTH AFRICANS "MUST FACE".

3. COMMENT: THIS INCIDENT, COMING ON TOP OF ALL OTHER JITTERS  
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ABOUT JUNE 16TH, APPEARS TO HAVE UNSETLED THE WHITE COMMUNITY  
IN JOHANNESBURG AND CAN ONLY STRENGTHEN THE HAND OF THE "HARD-  
LINERS", PARTICULARLY IN THE POLICE. THE INCIDENT ITSELF  
APPEARS NOTABLE FOR ITS LACK OF ORGANIZATION AND PURPOSE, THE  
ATTACKERS SEEMINGLY CHOOSING THE WAREHOUSE AT RANDOM AND ALMOST  
CASUALLY SPRAYING BULLETS EVERYWHERE, INCLUDING SHOOTING UP THE  
UNDERSIDE OF A FREEWAY. THE "TERRORISTS"

WERE OBVIOUSLY NOT TRAINED IN THE USE OF THE WEAPONS  
AS ONE OF THE CAPTURED DEMONSTRATED WHEN HE POINTED HIS PISTOL  
AT ONE OF THE SURVIVORS, GOT OFF TWO SHOTS, JAMMED THE WEAPON,  
THEN DROPPED THE MAGAZINE. AT THIS STAGE, IT WOULD APPEAR THIS  
WAS INDEED AN ISOLATED INCIDENT BUT ONE WITHSHOCK VALUE FOR  
THE WHITE COMMUNITY.

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